

# Preschool Newsletter

March 2019

Dear Parents,

Thank you again for all of the great snacks. We appreciate them so much! Thank you also for the many nice Valentine gifts! You are so wonderful to us. We feel truly blessed! And we noticed how hard many of the students worked on writing their names on their Valentine's. Good job!

This month we will continue to learn the letters of the alphabet. The kids are doing so well! Any additional help at home is so valuable! Even pointing out letters on signs in the car on the way home from preschool can help students with their language arts development. Also, it is so fun to watch many of them become interested in writing rather than scribbling. For those of you with younger preschoolers, hang in there; writing skills take a little longer to develop. We will also be doing a social science unit this month focusing on community helpers. It's always fun to find out what preschoolers want to be when they grow up!

Please note that there will be **no school Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** as it is Spring Break.

Looking ahead to **April**, we will be having parent/teacher conferences the 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of the month. We will have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside of the classroom by the first of April. Please note that conferences will take place during our regular preschool hours and there will be **NO preschool classes during that week**. Monday/Wednesday morning students' parents may sign up the mornings of the 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday/Thursday morning parents will need to sign up for a Tuesday or Thursday morning conference on the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 18<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday/Thursday afternoon parents will need to sign up for a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon conference on those dates. Conferences are a time for us to share with you how well your child is doing not only academically but socially and emotionally in the classroom as well. We have found that all of these aspects affect the success of a child in kindergarten. If your child is old enough to attend kindergarten in the fall we will share with you our professional opinion regarding your child's kindergarten readiness. The assessment will include both strengths and areas of possible weakness regarding academics, large and fine motor skills, expression, social and emotional development and work habits. The conferences will last about 15 minutes each.

Have a blessed March!

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